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Applicant: Coleman et al.

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DETECTION THEREOF

Case No.: 6794.US.01

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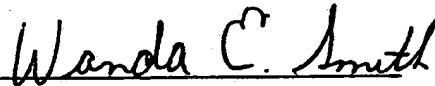
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Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the above-referenced application be withdrawn from issue in order for the Examiner to have the opportunity to consider a reference inadvertently not filed in a Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement prior to payment of the Issue Fee. Authorization is hereby given to charge the customer number listed below the fee as required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(h).

As suggested by the Examiner, an RCE is filed herewith (per 37 C.F.R. § 1.114) as well as the accompanying Information Disclosure Statement and Form PTO-1449 citing the reference.

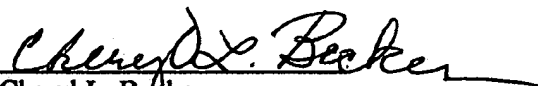
Reconsideration and allowance of the above-referenced application are respectfully requested.

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It is believed that the subject application is in condition of Allowance and Notice to that effect is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,  
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